

REMARKS

Claims 2-4, 6-14, 16-21, 23 and 24 were previously pending in the application. Applicant does not agree with the Examiner's rejection of Claims 2-4 and 6-8. However, in the interest of expediting prosecution, Applicant has cancelled Claims 3,4 and 7 without prejudice. Applicant reserves the right to pursue Claims 3,4 and 7 in one or more continuing applications. The Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider and withdraw the rejections in view of the amendments and remarks contained herein.

The Examiner objected to paragraph [0007] of the specification. Applicant has deleted "is in contact with the first gate". Therefore, Applicant believes that this objection is now moot.

Claim 10 stands objected to. Applicants have amended Claim 10 in accordance with the Examiner's suggestions by adding a semicolon. Therefore, Applicant believes that this objection is now moot. Applicant believes that Claim 10 is now in condition for allowance.

Applicant would like to thank the Examiner for favorable consideration of Claims 9, 11-14, 16-21, 23 and 24, which were allowed. The remaining claims now depend from an allowed claim.

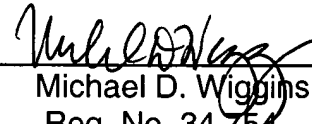
CONCLUSION

It is believed that all of the stated grounds of rejection have been properly traversed, accommodated, or rendered moot. Applicant therefore respectfully requests that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw all presently outstanding rejections. It is believed that a full and complete response has been made to the outstanding Office

Action, and as such, the present application is in condition for allowance. Thus, prompt and favorable consideration of this amendment is respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (248) 641-1600.

Respectfully submitted,

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